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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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THERMALLY SENSITIVE **IMAGEABLE ELEMENT** 

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## **REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

In response to the FINAL Office Action mailed December 13, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the present application for the following reasons. No amendments are presented for the specification or claims.

## Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §102(b)

Claims 1-24 have been rejected as anticipated by WO 2001/96119 (Savariar-Hauck et al.). This rejection is respectfully traversed again for the following reasons.

It is axiomatic that for a reference to anticipate a claimed invention, every feature of that invention must be described in the reference. That is not the case with the presently claimed invention and the cited Savariar-Hauck et al. reference.

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